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DOOM 2099 #1

SPECIAL FEATURE:
THE ORIGINS OF
CAPTAIN AMERICA
SPIDER-MAN AND
FANTASTIC FOUR!!

Titles on sale the first week of November

AVENGERS WEST COAST #90 1.25
Thomas/ Ross/ Dzon
The Vision guest-stars! Now that Iron Man and the Living Lightening are gone, the new AWC (Wonder Man, Scarlet Witch, Hawkeye, Spider-Woman and USAgent) battle the Ultimate Ultron!

CAGE #10 1.25
McLaurin/Turner/Ivy
The Hulk/Rhino/Cage storyline concludes. Accused of murder isn't all Cage faces. Now he's caught between Rhino and Hulk.

CAPTAIN AMERICA #412 1.25
Gruenwald/ Levins/Bulanadi
A 3-part storyline begins as Cap, Falcon, and Diamondback go undercover as Crossbones, Jack O'Lantern, and Mother Night to infiltrate AIM's Weapons Expo '93.

DAREDEVIL #312 1.25
Cover by Scott McDaniel
Chichester/McDaniel/LaRosa
A sinister fire leads Daredevil into a labyrinthine mystery involving sinister forces. Guest-penciler Clarke lends a hand to this gritty tale.

DARKHAWK #23 1.25
Return to Forever— Part 3 of 5
Fingeroth/Manley
The Darkhawk saga continues revealing that St. Johnny, who Chris thought to be his confidant, is quite the opposite. Darkhawk's evil counterpart, Evilhawk, makes his first appearance, and more is revealed about Darkhawk's armor. The covers from issues #21-24 will form a poster illustrating the 5-part story line and scenes from the past 2 years of Darkhawk.

EXCALIBUR #60
Lobdell/Kolins/
Holdredge 1.75
The temporarily all-new Excalibur (Captain America, Black Panther, Iron Man and Shadowcat) continue their battle with Ikon in Wakanada.

HELLRAISER #18
Cover by Tristan Shane
Various 4.95
Clive Barker himself finishes the story he began last issue, concluding the origin story of the Harrowers. A powerful goddess chooses seven humans for the task of rescuing the damned from Leviathan's Hell. On their first mission, one of the seven does not return! **Epic**

IRON MAN #55 MARVEL MILESTONE 2.95
Starlin &Friedrich/
Starlin/Esposito
Reprinting the first appearance of Thanos, the character from the Infinity Gauntlet/War saga. Iron Man rescues Drax the Destroyer, held by the Blood Brothers and Thanos. Fan favorite Jim Starlin wrote and illustrated this classic issue. It introduced a unique villain to the Marvel Universe.

NIGHT THRASHER #4

MARVEL MASTERWORKS #22: SPIDER-MAN# 31-40
Lee/Romita/Esposito 34.95
AMAZING SPIDER-MAN #41-50 and ANNUAL #3 see print once again in this fabulous 256 page hardcover with classic Marvel characters, Mary Jane, the Kingpin, Rhino, the Shocker and the Vulture. Relive glorious battles penned by Stan the Man.

MUTATIS #2 of 3 2.25
Lanning & Abnett/Higgins
Infected with the deadly Mutatis virus, ex-cop Lyle Crane joins forces with a fellow peace officer to stop the spread of the virus by killing 3 other infected people. The discovery of a fourth victim may make the murders a useless exercise and may also destroy the future-world. **Epic**

NAMOR #34 1.25
Harras/Jae Lee[2]
Oracle has been destroyed—and Namor heads for Atlantis—but the trouble begins long before he gets there!

NIGHT THRASHER #4 of 4 2.00
Cover by Bagley and Hoover
Nicieza/Hoover/Akin
In the conclusion to this limited series, Thrash, vessel of vengeance, needs to master the last element, compassion to control his destiny. He battles Silhouette for the life of an enemy and the final fate of Chord is revealed.

DARKHAWK #23

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More titles on sale the first week of November

NIGHTSTALKERS #3
1.75
Chichester/Garney/Palmer
"Staking Claim," Part 2 of the D.O.A. storyline, continues as Hydra's new operatives, D.O.A. begin their goal of creating a vampire super army with the assistance of Hannibal King and they succeed in kidnapping him to accomplish their ends.

NOMAD #9 1.75
Nicieza/Olliffe/McKenna
Nomad is in a dilemma. If he kills the surfer gang assassin, Ebbtide, he'll be forced to leave the city. Can he possibly stand by and allow the killing to continue?!

ORIGINAL GHOST RIDER #7 1.75
Cover by Pacella & Vancata
Friedrich/ Sutton/Shores
Ghost Rider confronts Witch-Woman and finds out that he isn't the only one who possesses power bestowed by Satan. How can the Rider stand up to a foe who's as powerful as he? Also in this issue, an all-new Phantom Rider back-up feature. Reprinting Marvel Spotlight #11.

PUNISHER: DIE HARD IN THE BIG EASY
Wagner/Gascoine 4.95
This spectacular 48-page bookshelf comic by John (Blood on the Moors) Wagner and Phil (Dreadlands) Gascoine takes the Punisher to Louisiana at Mardi Gras, where a sadistic mortician buries him alive. he is nearly insane from the entombment when he is rescued. Lusting for revenge, the Punisher confronts the Mortician, but not before he overcomes gangsters and black magic.

REN & STIMPY #2
Cover by Mike Kazaleh & Paul Mounts
Slott/Kazaleh 1.75
Pizza takes on a whole new meaning when the deranged cat & dog duo show up as delivery boys in "Extra Cheesy, Thick and Crusty"—when it absolutely has to be there in 30 seconds, no matter what! Ren & Stimpy also visit storybook land in "FrankenStimpy."

THE SAVAGE RETURN OF DRACULA 2.00
Conway/Colan/Palmer
This 48-page comic book reprints the original Tomb of Dracula #1-2, that introduced Dracula into the Marvel mythos. This book is perfect for anyone who wants to know everything there is about the infamous vampire.

SHE-HULK #47 1.75
John Byrne
She-Hulk's outer space odyssey continues! Rocket Raccoon, She-Hulk and the U.S. Archer team up to battle D'bari—or do they? In addition the mystery of the Skrulls is revealed.

SPIDER-MAN 2099 #3
David/Leonardi/ Williamson 1.25
In a society where secrets are forbidden, Miguel O'Hara attempts to keep his identity secret-and stay alive. The corporate warrior Venture wants Spidey's career over before it begins. Don't miss the fantastic conclusion to the origin of future Spidey!

TERROR, INC. #7
Chichester//Zaffino 1.75
This is part 2 of Terror's climactic clash with the Punisher, with the life and death of Piranha Jones hanging in the balance. Also, startling revelations about Terror's true identity and purpose.

UNCANNY X-MEN #296 1.50
X-cutioner's Song—Part 9 of 12
Lobdell/Peterson/Austin
Another installment of the "X-cutioner's Song" saga! Cyclops and Jean Grey make their bid for freedom and discover the true secret of Stryfe's fortress. And the unthinkable happen—Apocalypse and the X-Men form an uneasy alliance! Polybagged with one of 12 different trading cards. For more on the mysterious Stryfe, check out the all-new STRYFE'S STRIKE FILE.

WEB OF SPIDER-MAN #96
Spirits of Venom—Part 3 of 4
Painted cover by Mark Texeira 1.25
Mackie/Saviuk/Rubinstein
The confrontation continues between Blaze, Ghost Rider, Spidey, Venom and the Demogoblin. This issue features Hag and Troll, Hobgolin and Spidey's evil doppelganger. This ish is a lead-in to next month's Venom limited series!

WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP WRESTLING #10 1.25
Photo Cover
Lackey/Wilson/Montano
It's "Halloween Havoc" as champion, Sting, teams up with his arch-rival Rick Rude to fight the Ghoul!

Titles on sale the second week of November

ALPHA FLIGHT #116
1.75

Furman/Broderick/Patterson

The revelation of Weapon Omega's origin continues as he looks for his old Gamma Flight teammate nemesis and comes face to face with the stone-fisted menace of Rok! All the while X-Force's Weapon X (Kane) is on his trail.

AMAZING SPIDER-MAN #129
Marvel Milestone 2.95

Conway/Andru/Various

Punisher fans can see the first appearance of their favorite vigilante in this Milestone reprint, complete with the original ads. In Spidey's first meeting with the Punisher they face the Jackal, the man responsible for cloning Gwen Stacy!

AMAZING SPIDER-MAN #372
1.25

Invasion of the Spider Slayers—Part 5 of 6

Michelinie/ Bagley/Emberlin

Spidey continues to risk life and limb as he and the Black Cat battle the new and improved Spider Slayers. Also, more revelations about Peter Parker's parents.

BARBIE #25
1.25

Trusiani/Mortimer/Lucas

The historic 25th issue of BARBIE features Barbie and Skipper as Pilgrims at the First Thanksgiving. Squanto himself teaches them about that special day.

DARKHOLD #4
1.75

Cooper/Felchle/McKenna

The Redeemers face the savage fury of Sabretooth, until the demonic N'Garai come calling, and they are forced to join forces.

DEATH'S HEAD II #2

DEATH'S HEAD II #2
1.75

Cover by Paul Neary

Abnett/SharpSmith

The X-Men continue to guest star in this all-new series! The action cranks up another notch as Wolverine and DH II prepare to pound each other into the ground.

GHOST RIDER #33
Mackie/Blevins 1.75

Madcap—an insane villain on par with the "Joker" makes an appearaance! Bloodshed overwhelms Grand Central Station when Madcap wreaks havoc upon hundreds of innocents!

GROO THE WANDERER #97
Aragones/Evanier 2.25

The 4-part "Wager of the Gods" story line continues. Megatheos introduces his hero, Acardio, Rufferto at his side, hoping that he will perform tasks worthy of legend. However, Groo's the one who's really getting the job done.

Marvel/Epic

GUARDIANS OF THE GALAXY #32
1.25

Gallagher/ West/Montano

The Guardians have to choose one of their own to battle the Badoon Gladiator—possessor of the Captain Universe power! Dr. Strange attempts to reunite Major Victory with the Guardians.

MARVEL COMICS #119
1.50

Cover by Sam Kieth

Various

Howard Mackie and Sam Kieth continue their tale of Wolverine & Venom's struggle to reach Nightmare's realm. Meet PToe Jam Tortellini in a Constrictor tale by Paula Foye and MCP's Mark Powers. Wonder Man finally gets a movie contract—with Mojo. And, Ghost Rider & Cloak and Dagger star in a 4-part serial drawn by newcomer Alex Morrisey.

AMAZING SPIDER-MAN #372

MARVEL SUPER-HEROES #12
2.50

Cover by Derek Yaniger

Various

This 80-page quarterly presents Dr. Strange saving the son of a dead enemy; the Falcon fighting for his life in a Georgia swamp and Iron Man facing the Spymaster, the Espionage Elite and a new super villain, Glitch, in a big-time hi-tech battle!

MARVEL HOLIDAY SPECIAL 1992
2.95

Cover by Arthur Adams

Various

This year features a Hulk story by Peter David and Sam Kieth, Wolverine by Larry Hama and Michael Golden, the New Warriors by Fabian Nicieza and Darrick Robertson, Thanos by Jim Starlin and Ron Lim, and Spidey by Stan Lee and Steve Lightle. It also includes pinups by Ron Garney, John Hebert, Kerry Gammill and Rurik Tyler!

ONYX OVERLORD #4 OF 4
2.75

Moebius/L'officier/Bingham

The epic saga concludes with an all-out struggle between the Onyx Overlord and the Major's giant android, the Starbilliard. The fate of the Airtight Garage hangs in the balance. Only Finnegar can turn the tide of battle—if she survives!

Epic

PENDRAGON II #7
Cover by Bryan Hitch

Abnett/Tomlinson/Royle/ Griffiths 1.75

Spider-Man aids the new (Alan Davis designed) Pendragons as they battle the murderous Warheads to save Arachne, the Spider People's planet.

PUNISHER WAR ZONE #11
1.75

Dixon/Romita Jr./Manley

The penultimate Dixon/Romita Jr. War Zone arc! The Punisher has whittled the Magnificent Seven, who are out for his head, down to a trio. But, the one the Punisher least expects to be trouble is the deadliest one of the group.

QUASAR #42
1.25

Gruenwald/Andy Smith

While Quasar is trapped in the ethereal White Room, his replacement, the Blue Marvel, tries to become partners with—The Punisher!

RAVAGE 2099 #2
Lee/Ryan/Williams 1.75

Stan Lee's at the reins! The corporate forces of ECO lash out at Ravage by ordering Deathstyk to kill Tiana and Dack, the only people Ravage trusts!

Titles on sale the second and third week of November

SAVAGE SWORD OF CONAN #205
Painted cover by John Watkiss 2.25
Thomas/ Buscema/Chan
In "City of Magicians" part 5, Conan finally reaches Kheshatta, as a slave! On the auction block,the highest bidder turns out to be his old comrade Zulu! Has his dear friend become a bitter enemy?

SILVER SABLE #8
Wright/Butler/Sanders III 1.25
Silver Sable, Paladin and the Wild Pack journey to South America to stop the Genesis Coalition from creating hideous mutations of men and animals and transforming them into Super Soldiers! Sable learns that her father might still be alive.

SLEEPWALKER #20
Budiansky/Krantz 2.00
In the second part of "Mind Field" Rick and Sleepwalker accidentally merge into one being—a horrible monster—and prevent the Chain Gang from carrying out Cobweb's mysterious master plan. Find more Sleepwalker action in his Holiday Special.

THOR #457 1.25
DeFalco/ Frenz/Milgrom
The search for the real Thor has finally paid off! This issue marks the return of the true God of Thunder, the mighty Thor! A startling new twist will affect the direction of the series for years to come.

WOLVERINE #65
Hama/Pacella 1.75
The losses and tragedies of the last few months begin to catch up with Logan. As Wolverine slips closer and closer to the edge, Professor X begins to fear for Wolverine's sanity.

WONDER MAN #17 1.25
Jones/Johnson/Panosian
Wonder Man loses controls and beats on his friends. Only the AWC can subdue him—easier said than done. Armed Response works on saving L.A.

X-FORCE/ SPIDER-MAN TPB: SABOTAGE 6.95
Lifeld, McFarlane & Nicieza/ Liefeld & McFarlane
The landmark horizontal issues of X-Force and Spider-Man are now being reprinted in a 64-page bookshelf comic. The "Sabotage" crossover brought Spider-Man and X-Force together to battle the Juggernaut and his partner, Black Tom Cassidy, atop the World Trade Center.

Third Week

AVENGERS #358
Harras/ Epting/Palmer 1.25
Arkon abducts the Avengers. and if they are to survive, they must battle a mysterious foe and save Arkon's empire. The Avengers begin to suspect that this foe isn't evil and that they're fighting on the wrong side.

CONAN #264 1.25
Thomas/Watkiss
Conan returns to the life of a daring thief, and teams up with Isparana, the beautiful swordswoman/thief to be seen in Conan Saga #72-74. However, their employer, Wizard Kralik, schemes to sit on the Brythunian throne and doesn't intend to let the duo live to see the coronation.

CONAN SAGA #70 2.25
Thomas/Buscema/Chan
Conan is sent as a spy to Wen Tengri, a city held in terror by the Flame Winds, controlled by seven highly competitive wizards. Conan's struggle against them leads to a bloody revolt.

DOCTOR WHO #193
Abnett/Andrew 4.95
Dr. Who and Bernice Summerfield find themselves saving the lives of Sontarans, one of the Doctor's major enemies! This issue also includes a free poster of the Sontarans, interviews with former Dr. Who stars and an archive feature on "The Android Invasion."

DOOM 2099 #1
Moore/Broderick 1.75
This astonishing premiere issue features a foil-stamped cover. Doom, returned to Latveria finds it a criminal community run by the feral, fierce Tiger Wylde, pretender to the throne! Will Doom regain his throne?

EXCALIBUR #61
Davis²/Farmer 1.75
Phoenix confronts Galactus in space! Meanwhile, a mysterious organization begins to make their moves on Excalibur!

FISH POLICE #4
Moncuse 1.25
The "Hairballs" saga concludes! Inspector Gill faces off against Hook in a battle for the lives of Angelfish and Goldie. See under-water comic-drama at its best.

G.I. JOE #132 1.25
Hama/Tyler/Baskerville
Casualties on both sides continue to rise as Cobra's attack on the Joes increases in ferocity. Meanwhile, Firefly along with the zombified Snake-Eyes, Storm Shadow and the rest of the ninjas, ransack Cobra Island.

HELL'S ANGEL #7
Cover by Brian Hitch
Jaye/Russell/Myton 1.75
Psylocke guest-stars as MyS-TECH sends a subliminal message to TV viewers, convincing them to buy only MyS-TECH goods.

INCREDIBLE HULK #401 2.50
David/Duursema/Vancata
The storyline from issue #400 concludes. The appointment of a new leader shakes up the Pantheon and the secret of Agamemnon is unveiled.

IRON FIST #14 2.95
Marvel Milestone
Claremont/Byrne/Green
A complete reprint of Iron Fist #14! Iron Fist goes fist to claw with the savage assassin, Sabretooth. X-Men, Wolverine and John Byrne fans will be interested in this first appearance of Sabretooth.

IRON MAN TPB: MANY ARMORS OF IRON MAN 15.95
Cover by Mark Chiarello
Various
This 208-page tpb reprints the origin issues of all the various armor Iron Man has worn over the years. It includes such popular models as: the Space Armor, the Stealth Suit, the Underwater Suit and the Red & Silver Armor. It includes a new tale of Iron Man's origin.

MARVEL AGE #120
Cover by Alan Davis 1.00
Celebrating Marvel Age's 10th Anniversary, a wraparound cover shows the major events of the last decade. It includes predictions of the industry's direction in the next decade by Marvel's own Tom DeFalco, Mark Gruenwald, Stan Lee and many more. Also in this issue, inside the Venom limited series, the coming of Dr. Strange's Anniversary and the official Marvel Bullpen map!

WONDER MAN #17

More titles on sale the third week of November

MARVEL TALES #269

MARVEL TALES #269 1.25
Cover by Ron Lim & Al Milgrom
DeFalco/Frenz/Rubinstein
You know them well as the creative team on Thor, but did you know that they also crafted some classic Spider-Man tales? You will when you read this issue reprinting Amazing Spider-Man #255. Spider-Man rescues the Black Fox from the Red Ghost and his Super Apes.

MORBIUS #5 1.75
Kaminski/Wagner/Witherby
In an attempt to cure himself, Morbius injects himself with Spider-Man's blood and suffers dire consequences. A new character is introduced—Basilisk, a blood-drinking villain who shows no discretion when choosing his victims.

NIGHTBREED #23
Moore/Douglas 2.50
Popular Breed character, Peloquin stars in his own solo story as he hits the trail of a Nightbreed whose hunger for blood threatens to expose all of the Breed.

Epic

PUNISHER #74 1.25
Abnett & Lanning/ Braithwaite/ Williamson
The "Police Action" story line continues climaxing in next month's 75th blow out issue. The Punisher goes head-to-head with V.I.G.I.L., the government's anti-vigilante assault team. The Punisher is only one man. How can he face a group of highly-trained gun-toting specialists? The Punisher never counts the odds.

PUNISHER HOLIDAY SPECIAL
Various 2.95
Celebrate the Holiday season in true Punisher style with this 48-page special bearing a fabulous foil-stamped cover. A young mob capo wants revenge on the Punisher for killing his father. The number one request on his Christmas list is the Punisher's head!

SHIELD #43 1.75
Wright/Heebink
Trapped in the ruins of old S.H.I.E.L.D central, Nick Fury hides from Baron Strucker with no chance of escape. Clay Quartermain, believed dead, returns in this can't miss issue.

SLAPSTICK #3 of 4
Kaminski/Fry/Austin 1.25
The penultimate chapter in this hilarious limited series "Sweeny Toddler," introduces Dr. Denton, kid genius, who's out for revenge after a ruined birthday bash. He unleashes his fury on Slapstick, who leaps into battle with Denton's teddy bear.

SPIDER-MAN #30
1.75
Nocenti/Marrinan/DeLarosa
"Return to the Mad Dog Ward" continues as Dr. Hope creates a superhuman creature. How long can he keep it under control? Meanwhile, mysterious dizzy spells, hallucinations and headaches plague our hero.

WARLOCK AND THE INFINITY WATCH #12 1.75
Starlin/Raney/Williams
Guest-starring the Hulk! Moondragon accidentally revives Drax's memory of his death at the hands of Thanos. Drax then goes looking for his past in Reno, NV, and finds himself in a slugfest with the Jade Giant. Meanwhile, Pip assumes leadership of the Infinity Watch since Warlock is still catatonic from the effects of the Infinity War.

THE WEDDING OF DRACULA 2.00
Wolfman/Colan/Palmer
Reprinting Tomb of Dracula #30 and #45-46. Seeking his bride, Dracula comes into conflict with all the vampire-hunters. Alos includes a retelling of Dracula's first confrontation with Blade!

WHAT IF? #45 1.25
Marz/Eaglesharn/Garvey
"What If Barbara Ketch had become the Ghost Rider?" Barbara becomes GR instead of Danny and she swears vengeance for his death. However, this GR thinks death is the only fitting vengeance—no matter what the price. Spidey, Dr. Strange and John Blaze team up to stop her even if it means their death.

X-FACTOR #86 1.50
X-cutioner's Song— Part 10 of 12
David/Jae Lee/Milgrom
The "X-cutioner's Song" saga continues! The bitter confrontation between Stryfe, Cyclops and Jean Grey is cut short when Cable and Wolverine reach Stryfe's hidden base. Now, the battle escalates into an all-out war. Polybagged with one of Stryfe's Strike List trading cards.

X-MEN #16 1.50
X-cutioner's Song— Part 11 of 12
Nicieza/Kubert/Pennington
The penultimate chapter in "X-cutioner's Song!" The X-teams unite to battle Stryfe's final guard—the Dark Riders. Meanwhile, Archangel pays Apocalypse back for his wings—with interest! Polybagged with a trading card featuring Archangel by Brandon Peterson.

X-MEN ADVENTURES #3 1.25
Macchio/Wildman/Campanella
Magneto, the master of magnetism, comes to town and attracts all kinds of trouble, including a major confrontation with the X-Men! Sabretooth and Wolverine's relationship is explored, and the Beast is held without bail in a federal detention facility.

X-MEN #16

Titles on sale the fourth week of November

A-1 #2 of 4 5.95
Cover by Glen Fabry
Various
The popular A-1 anthology edited by Dave Elliott has now turned into a new 4-issue limited series from Epic! Roger Langridge's "Frankenstein meets Shirley Temple" continues. George (Enemy Ace) Pratt tells a tale of procrastination in New York City in "Deadlines." Hunt Emerson's "Max Zillion & Alto Ego"tells a tale of of a lovable guy and his saxophone and Pete Milligan and Jamie Hewlett begin the 3-part "King Leon" story.

Epic

AMAZING SPIDER-MAN #373 1.25
Invasion of the Spider Snatchers—Part 6 of 6
Michelinie/ Bagley/Emberlin
Spider-Man confronts Alistair Smythe, inventor of the Spider Slayers, and finds himself face to face with the mother of all Spider Slayers. Peter has to decide whether or not to tell his parents his deepest secret—that he is Spider-Man. This ish also features a Venom back-up!

BARBIE FASHION #25 1.25
Slate/Wilshire/Kaalberg
Barbie Fashion celebrates its landmark 25th issue! Skipper's friend, Tara, finds that she has a secret admirer. In "Totally Hair," Barbie teaches Skipper and Courtney hair styling tips, and Skipper copes with a friend's parents' separation.

DEATH'S HEAD II/ KILLPOWER: BATTLETIDE #1 OF 4 1.75
Abnett & Lanning/Senior/ Griffiths
Inextricably bonded Death's Head II and Killpower fight on the battleworld, Colosseum. Wolverine, Hell's Angel and Hercules are just a few of the other "contestants."

DEATHLOK #19 2.25
Cyberwar—Part 3 of 5
Wright/McDaniel/DeMulder
Deathlok and Silver Sable continue their search for Deathlok's human body and encounter Siege, who's about to kill the one man who knows its location! Along with the introduction of the hot new cyborg, Siege, Deathlok #19 also features a metallic ink cover showing 'Lok and Siege in all their metallic glory!

DIGITEK #2 OF 4
Tomlinson & Lanning/ Power 1.95
Guest-starring Deathlok! After the Protosilicon is stolen from Northstar Labs, Digitek and his bewildered wife, Sam, set out to find the assailants. They succeed and find themselves face to face with the Bacillicons, walking, talking, killing products of an advanced computer virus.

DR. STRANGE #49 1.75
Kaminski/Isherwood
Len (IRON MAN, SLAPSTICK MORBIUS) Kaminski takes over as writer, promising a new kind of thrill. All the deities that Strange has called on for help over the years have come to collect their debt. Unfortunately, Doc does not want to pay up, and he finds himself in a battle with the Gods that will leave the Sorcerer Supreme the weakest magician mankind has ever known.

DR. WHO: CLASSIC COMICS #1 4.95
Photo Cover
Various
For the first time, classic Dr. Who strips from the past will now be re-published in full-color in a monthly 48-page comic book. This classic collection features material that has never been published in the U.S. and will include the immensely popular Daleks strip. Also included is a free photographic poster of the third Doctor and monsters!

FANTASTIC FOUR #5
Marvel Milestone 2.95
Lee/ Kirby
Reprinting the first appearance of the single most influential character in the Marvel Universe, as well as the archnemesis of the Fantastic Four, Dr. Doom!

FANTASTIC FOUR #372 1.25
DeFalco/Ryan/Bulanadi
Guest-starring Ms. Marvel, Code: Blue, Silver Sable & the Wild Pack! While Ben and Reed battle the Rogue Watcher, Code: Blue is sent to arrest Johnny Storm for arson!

GHOST RIDER/ BLAZE: SPIRITS OF VENGEANCE #6 1.75
SPIRITS OF VENOM—Part 4 of 4
Painted cover by Kubert & Steacy
Mackie/A.Kubert/Reinhold
The soul searing conclusion of "Spirits of Venom" continues the story from Web of Spider-Man #96. Ghost Rider and Blaze attempt to overcome the spawn of Deathwatch beneath the streets of Manhattan and defend a helpless Spider-Man from the wrath of Demogoblin and Venom.

HELLRAISER DARK HOLIDAY SPECIAL
Cover by Kevin O'Neill
Various 4.95
This 48-page bookshelf comic features three horrifying tales of evil in the unholiday spirit. "Golem" is a tale of a golem animated by a LeMarchand Box during WW II. A man's obsession to solve the puzzle locked in a nursery rhyme leads him to betrayal in "Nursery Crime." Lastly, it's "Child's Play" for a toy manufacturer to mass market the puzzles that will open the gates of Hell. **Epic**

THE INCOMPLETE DEATH'S HEAD #1 OF 12 2.95
Cover by Liam Sharp
Furman/Various
This 12-issue limited series reprints the first hard-to-come-by appearances of the original Death's Head! To help kick off this new title, the Incomplete Death's head #1 will be a double-sized issue with a die-cut wraparound cover!

IRON MAN #288 1.25
Kaminski/Hopgood
This special commemorative issue features a foil cover and celebrates Iron Man's 350th appearance. In this double-sized issue, Rhodey dons the black & white "War Machine" armor to battle Atom Smasher and Firepower while Tony Stark remains in his cryogenic freeze. New light is shed on Stark's troubled past.

MARVEL COMICS #120 1.50
Cover by Sam Kieth
Various
Four great adventures! Wolverine & Venom finally reach Nightmare's realm and the trouble really begins. The 2-part Constrictor story line concludes when the Constrictor reneges on his contract. Also, someone from Spidey's past has sold a sketch of Spidey's secret identity to the Daily Bugle. And Ghost Rider & Cloak team up to save Dagger from a tyrant in another dimension.

MARVEL UNIVERSE MASTER EDITION #26 4.50
Ward & Sanderson/ Pollard/ Rubinstein
24 more fact sheets that true Marvel fans cannot and will not do without. This month's entries include: Morbius, the Living Vampire, Drax the Destroyer, Stryfe, Mystique and Ikaris.

AMAZING SPIDER-MAN #373

More titles on sale the fourth week of November

METALLIC MEMORIES HCGN
Moebius 18.95

Last year Marvel proudly presented the Moebius artbook, Chaos. This year, we present Metallic Memories, the long-awaited sister hardcover to Chaos. This beautiful 96-page collection features fabulous Moebius art and short serials seen here for the first time in the United States. Be sure to put this on your Holiday shopping list; it makes a great gift.

MOON KNIGHT #46
Kavanagh/Fry/Ivy 1.75

Even the Demogoblin is afraid of what Marc Spector has become! They're face-to-feral-face against the backdrop of a prison that's out of control! Also, there's a new addition to MK's panoply of fearsome foes.

MOTORMOUTH #8
Marks/Perryman 1.75

X-Force's Cable now possesses "Clavis," the key that unlocks the dimension of lost souls. The only problem is that MyS-TECH wants the key even if it means Cable's death! As Cable's battle begins, Motormouth and Killpower have their own difficulties—with a 40 ft killer worm?!

THE 'NAM #76 2.25
Cover by Harris & McKenna
Lomax/Vansant, Harris & Palmiotti

Popular 'Nam character, Rob Little, returns home to visit the grave of his brother, Eugene, who stayed home when Rob went to war. It seems like the wrong man is dead. A gripping and unbelievable tale of injustice written by Vietnam Journal's Don Lomax.

NEW WARRIORS #31 1.25
Nicieza/Robertson/Mahlstedt

Warpath and Cannonball guest-star and accompany Firestar to Nova Roma to inform Empath and former New Mutant, Magma, about the Hellions' funeral. What they discover could cause another funeral—for Firestar and X-Force! Firestar's new costume debuts, if she lives to wear it!

NIGHTRAVEN: HOUSE OF CARDS
New Cover by David Lloyd
Delano/Lloyd 5.95

Re-presented in an all-new format with a new cover by David (V FOR VENDETTA, HELLBLAZER) Lloyd. Nightraven is a merciless vigilante, the forerunner of DC's V FOR VENDETTA. Well known for his critically-acclaimed work on CAPTAIN BRITAIN, HELLBLAZER AND SWAMP THING, Jamie Delano and David Lloyd, whose haunting illustrations are unforgettable, bring you this gripping tale of intrigue, mystery and suspense. 64-page bookshelf format.

PUNISHER WAR JOURNAL #50 1.75
Cover by John Romita Jr.
Dixon/Texeira

This double-sized issue with an embossed cover features great artwork by fan favorite Mark (GHOST RIDER) Texeira! The Punisher boards an airplane knowing that international terrorists will hold the passengers hostage. Also in this issue, a preview of the Punisher of the future—Punisher 2099!

SILVER SURFER #76
Marz/Lim/Christopher 2.50

The mysterious figure tailing Silver Surfer in the last few issues is finally revealed to be the Jack of Hearts! He desperately needs the Surfer's help because his body is literally falling apart. The Surfer agrees to help and takes him to a special planet, but who should meet them there, but Nebula!

SLEEPWALKER HOLIDAY SPECIAL
Brevoort &Kanterovich/
Zick 2.00

This 48-page comic book features Sleepwalker in an adventure he will not soon forget. On a dark day in December, Sleepy faces Mr. Jyn, a malignant force who is evil incarnate! Take a walk on the dark side in this especially grim Sleepwalker issue.

SPECTACULAR SPIDER-MAN #196
Death of Vermin—
Part 3 of 3
DeMatteis/Buscema 1.25

Vermin dies in this issue! The creator of Vermin and the Mutates, Baron Zemo leads the Mutates into a bloodthirsty battle to destroy a helpless Vermin, Spider-Man and Dr. Kafka.

STRYFE'S STRIKE FILE #1 1.75
Nicieza & Lobdell
Various

Stryfe's secret files give readers a rare look at the mysterious mutant. It has everything that you always wanted to know—from what motivates Stryfe to what he has planned for the future of all mutant-tkind—in 32 pages with a metallic ink cover and absolutely no ads! Artwork by Larry Stroman, Andy Kubert, Greg Capullo and Brandon Peterson!

TEAM HELIX #1 OF 4 1.75
Cover by Bryan Hitch
Lanning & Marks/
Gascoine/Hopgood

Last month brought us Death's Head II and Battletide. This month is the premiere of another adventure that will take the comics' world by storm! This four-issue limited series introduces Team Helix, a group of five genetically enhanced teenagers, whose first mission takes them into the Savage Land with Wolverine!

WILLIAM SHATNER'S TEKWORLD #5 1.75
Goulart/Sullivan

The fateful finale to the TekWar novel adaptation! In this concluding chapter, Jake Cardigan faces off against the man behind the Tek-chip technology and the man who stole his family. Next issue, Jake begins an all-new, original TEK adventure that takes place in the period between the two published novels. Marvel/Epic

THOR #458 1.25
DeFalco/Frenz/ Milgrom

The original Thunderer is back and battling Eric Masterson for the rightful possession of Mjolnir. Not since the Beta Ray Bill story line have Thor fans seen such action such excitement, the kind of destruction only possible when Gods make war!

WARHEADS #8 1.75
Cover by Richard Rayner
& Sean Hardy
Vince/Coleby

The X-Men and Silver Surfer guest star in this issue along with Wolverine! The Warheads are trapped on a disintegrating planet with no way to get off it, unless they trust Gregory, a half-man, half demon, who was once a Warhead. This issue is a lead-in to an encounter with Mephisto that will reveal the identity of Misha's secret voice!

X-FORCE #18 1.50
X-cutioner's song—
Part 12 of 12
Nicieza/Capullo/Candelario

The final chapter in "X-cutioner's Song!" As Stryfe seeks his final revenge, Cable, Cyclops and Havok make an all-out attempt to stop him! The repercussions from this issue will affect the mutant titles for a long, long time. Don't forget the X-cellent trading card that comes with this final poly-bagged issue.

X-MEN CLASSIC #79
Cover by Adam Hughes
Claremont/Smith & Romita
Jr./Wiacek 1.25

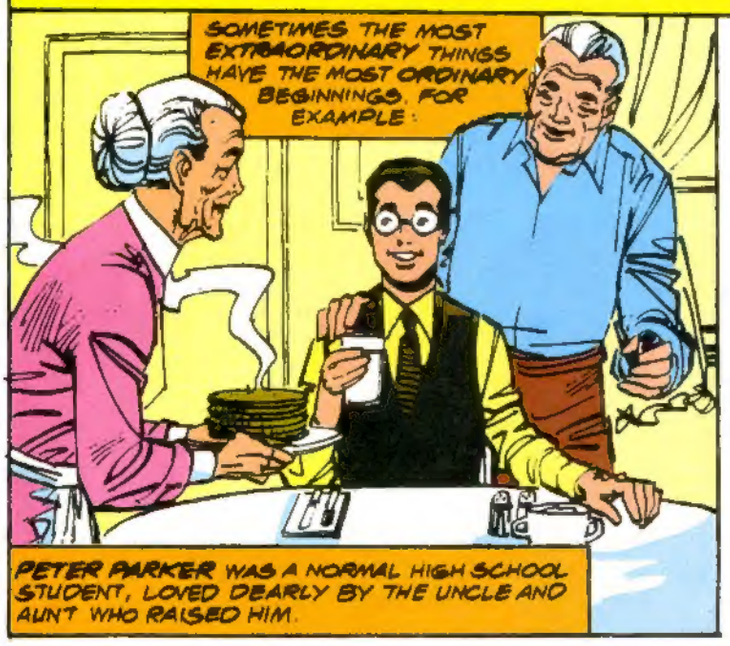
Here's the cataclysmic showdown between the X-Men and Dark Phoenix! Reprinted from Uncanny X-Men #175, this classic confrontation re-presents Paul Smith's last issue. This 48-page spectacular will also give you a look at the early work of John (Punisher War Zone) Romita Jr.

X-MEN POSTER MAGAZINE 4.95
Various

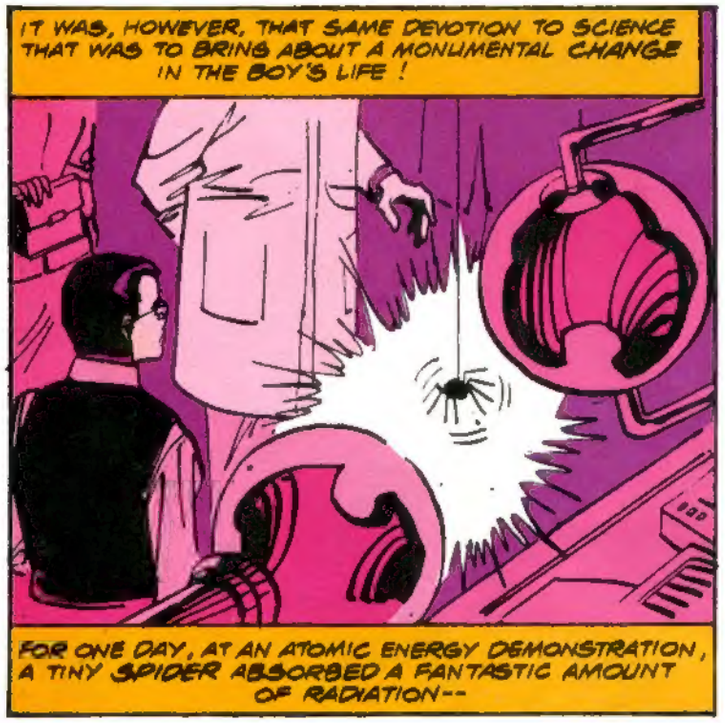
This 32-page full-color poster magazine is perfect for celebrating 30 years of X-Men greatness. The uncanny artwork is illustrated by such big names as Jim Lee, John Byrne, Rob Liefeld, Paul Smith and a score of others.

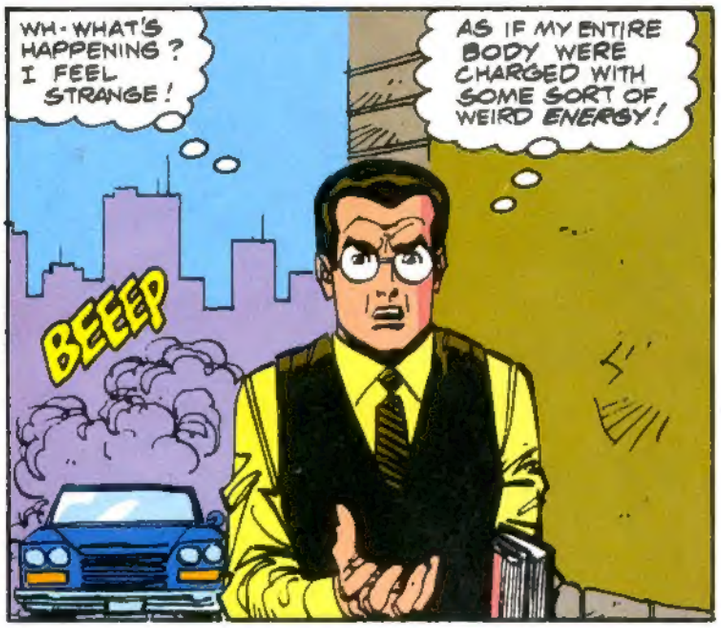
ONCE UPON A TIME...
The origins of...
Spider-Man
Fantastic Four
Captain America

STAN LEE PRESENTS: THE ORIGIN OF SPIDER-MAN


SOMETIMES THE MOST EXTRAORDINARY THINGS HAVE THE MOST ORDINARY BEGINNINGS. FOR EXAMPLE:
PETER PARKER WAS A NORMAL HIGH SCHOOL STUDENT, LOVED DEARLY BY THE UNCLE AND AUNT WHO RAISED HIM.

BUT WHILE HE EXCELLED AT SCIENCE, THOSE ACCOMPLISHMENTS WERE OFTEN OVER-SHADOWED BY HIS INNATE SHYNESS.
ER, WOULD ANYONE LIKE TO GO TO THE NEW EXHIBIT AT THE SCIENCE HALL WITH ME?
GET LOST, BOOKWORM!

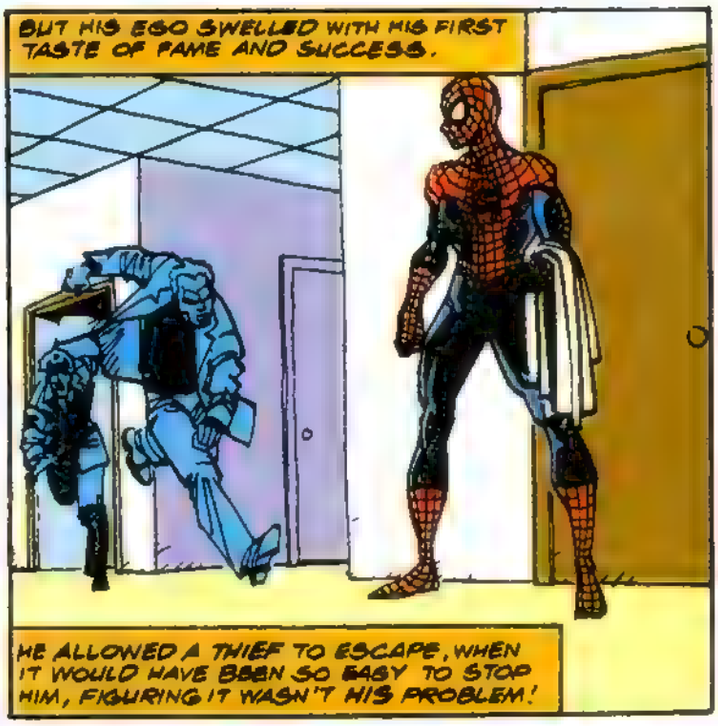

IT WAS, HOWEVER, THAT SAME DEVOTION TO SCIENCE THAT WAS TO BRING ABOUT A MONUMENTAL CHANGE IN THE BOY'S LIFE!
FOR ONE DAY, AT AN ATOMIC ENERGY DEMONSTRATION, A TINY SPIDER ABSORBED A FANTASTIC AMOUNT OF RADIATION--



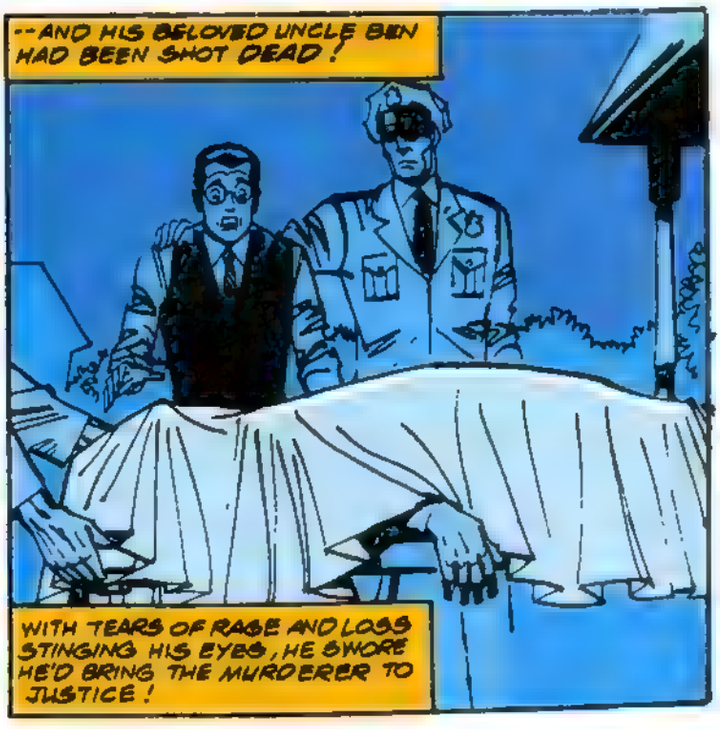
INCREDIBLE! I WALL-CRAWLED TO THE ROOF IN SECONDS! A-AND I'M CRUSHING THIS STEEL PIPE LIKE IT WAS PAPER!
IT'S AS IF I'VE SUDDENLY GAINED THE ABILITIES AND PROPORTIONAL STRENGTH OF..OF A SPIDER!

USING HIS TECHNICAL INGENUITY, YOUNG PARKER DEVELOPED DEVICES TO "SPIN" HIS OWN STICKY WEBBING!
AND THEN, AFTER DESIGNING A SUITABLY THEATRICAL COSTUME--

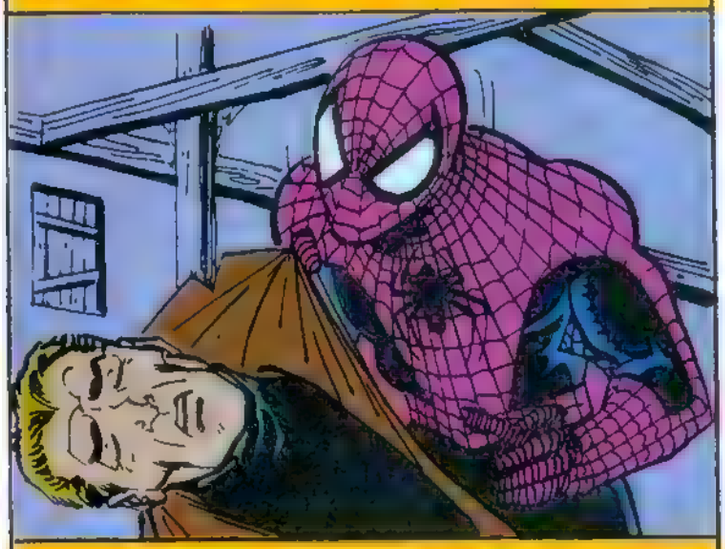
-- HE SET OUT TO TAKE SHOW BUSINESS BY STORM --
-- AS THE SPIDER-MAN!


BUT HIS EGO SWELLED WITH HIS FIRST TASTE OF FAME AND SUCCESS.
HE ALLOWED A THIEF TO ESCAPE, WHEN IT WOULD HAVE BEEN SO EASY TO STOP HIM, FIGURING IT WASN'T HIS PROBLEM!

HE DISCOVERED HOW WRONG HE WAS DAYS LATER, WHEN HE RETURNED HOME TO FIND POLICE THERE. THE HOUSE HAD BEEN BURGLARIZED --
AMBULA

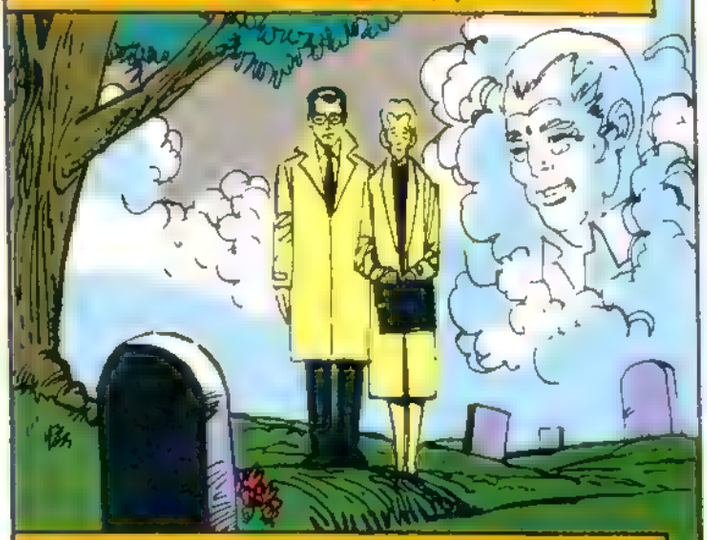

--AND HIS BELOVED UNCLE BEN HAD BEEN SHOT DEAD!
WITH TEARS OF RAGE AND LOSS STINGING HIS EYES, HE SWORE HE'D BRING THE MURDERER TO JUSTICE!

BUT WHEN HE CAUGHT THE CULPRIT, HE WAS STUNNED TO FIND IT WAS THE *SAME* THIEF HE HAD LET *ESCAPE* BEFORE!



IT WAS A BITTER LESSON, ONE THAT CHANGED HIM EVEN MORE DEEPLY THAN THE BITE OF A RADIO-ACTIVE SPIDER!

FOR AT LAST HE GRASPED THE BASIC TRUTH THAT HAS SHAPED HIS LIFE EVER SINCE WITH GREAT POWER, THERE MUST ALSO COME GREAT *RESPONSIBILITY!*



AND IT IS THIS, ABOVE ALL ELSE, THAT HAS GIVEN THE WORLD THE ONE, THE ONLY THE AMAZING..

SPIDER-MAN!

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THE ORIGIN OF CAPTAIN AMERICA

1940... AS THE WORLD TREMBLED ON THE BRINK OF GLOBAL WAR, EIGHTEEN YEAR OLD STEVEN ROGERS SAT IN A MOVIE THEATER, HIS BLOOD QUICKENING AT THE SIGHT OF NEWSREEL FOOTAGE OF WAR TORN EUROPE...

THE NAZIS' ASSAULT ON FREEDOM SPURRED THE NEED IN HIM TO TAKE ACTION. THE NEXT DAY THE YOUNG ART STUDENT WENT TO HIS NEAREST ARMY RECRUITMENT STATION TO SIGN UP.

UNFORTUNATELY, NATURE DID NOT PROVIDE HIM WITH A BODY TO MATCH THE STRENGTH OF HIS IDEALS AND HE WAS REJECTED AS PHYSICALLY UNFIT FOR MILITARY SERVICE.

GENERAL PHILLIPS HEARD THE BOY'S IMPASSIONED SPEECH WHY HE SHOULD BE ALLOWED TO SERVE SOME OTHER WAY AND OFFERED HIM THE OPPORTUNITY TO DO JUST THAT.

HE OFFERED HIM THE CHANCE TO PARTICIPATE IN OPERATION : REBIRTH, A PLAN TO CREATE A PLATOON OF AMERICAN SUPER-SOLDIERS.

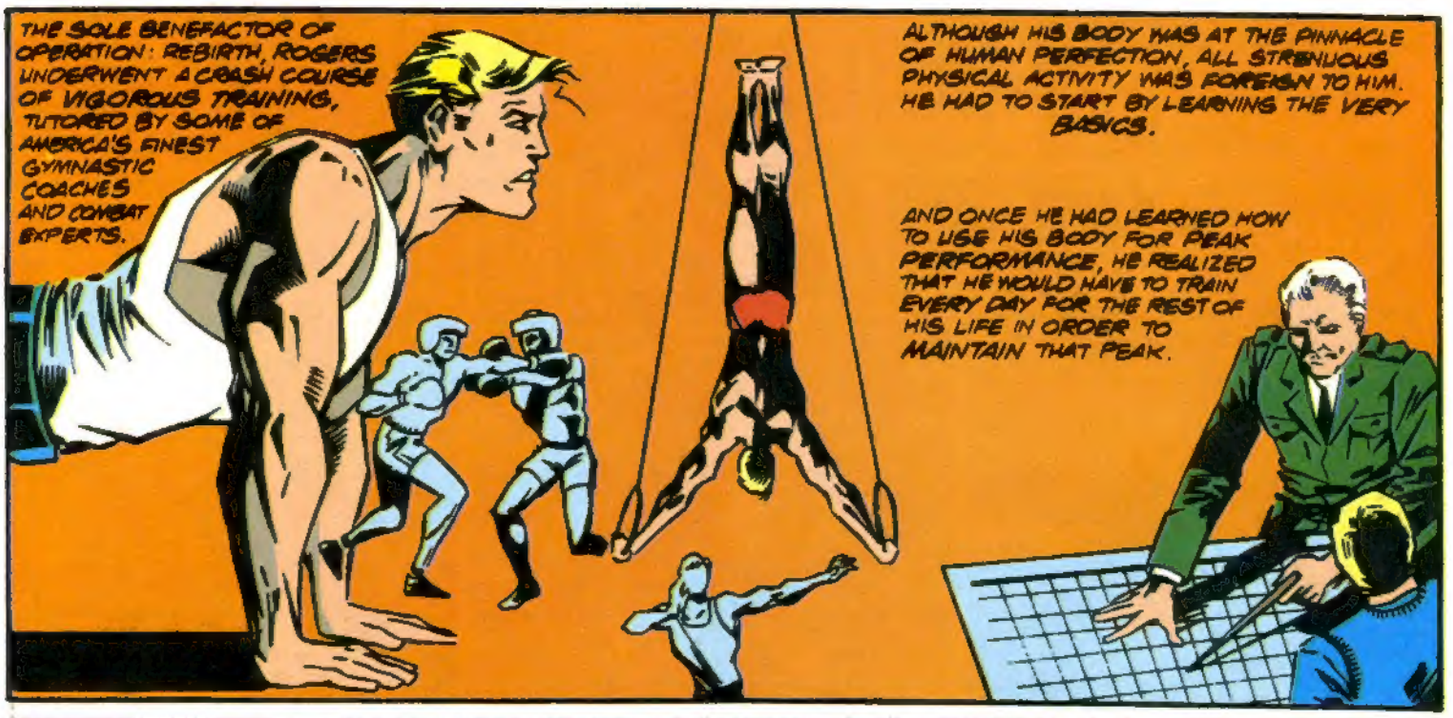
CAREFULLY SCREENED AND CHOSEN AS AN IDEAL SUBJECT FOR THE HIGHLY EXPERIMENTAL PROCESS, ROGERS UNDERWENT A GRUELING BATTERY OF ORAL, INTRAVENOUS, AND RADIATION TREATMENTS.

THE NET RESULT TRANSFORMED ROGERS' SCRAWNY BODY, AND GAVE HIM WHAT NATURE HAD NOT: A PERFECT PHYSIQUE. AT LAST HIS INDOMITABLE SPIRIT WAS CONTAINED WITHIN A BODY THAT DID IT JUSTICE.

BUT THE PLAN TO CREATE AN ARMY OF SUPER-SOLDIERS CAME TO AN ABRUPT END AS A NAZI SPY ASSASSINATED DR. ABRAHAM ERSKINE, THE CREATOR OF THE PROCESS.

BEFORE THE SPY COULD TURN HIS PISTOL ON ANOTHER INNOCENT, ROGERS REACTED, AND THOUGH HE HAD NEVER BEFORE THROWN A PUNCH BEFORE IN HIS LIFE, HE STRUCK THE ASSASSIN, SENDING HIM SAILING INTO THE POWER GENERATOR.

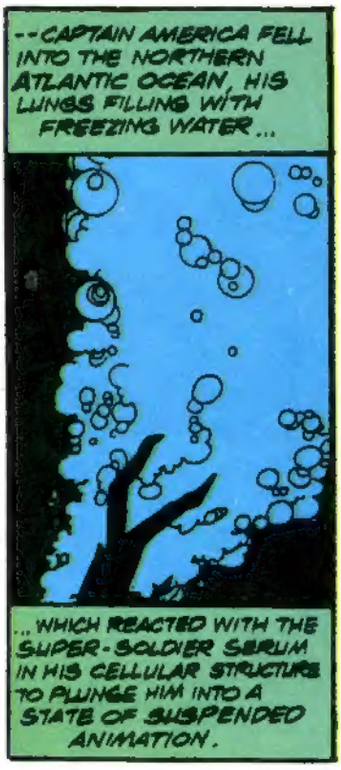
WHILE TRYING TO EXTRICATE HIMSELF, THE SPY GRABBED THE WRONG WIRES AND DIED.


THE SOLE BENEFACTOR OF OPERATION: REBIRTH, ROGERS UNDERWENT A CRASH COURSE OF VIGOROUS TRAINING, TUTORED BY SOME OF AMERICA'S FINEST GYMNASTIC COACHES AND COMBAT EXPERTS.
ALTHOUGH HIS BODY WAS AT THE PINNACLE OF HUMAN PERFECTION, ALL STRENUOUS PHYSICAL ACTIVITY WAS FOREIGN TO HIM. HE HAD TO START BY LEARNING THE VERY BASICS.
AND ONCE HE HAD LEARNED HOW TO USE HIS BODY FOR PEAK PERFORMANCE, HE REALIZED THAT HE WOULD HAVE TO TRAIN EVERY DAY FOR THE REST OF HIS LIFE IN ORDER TO MAINTAIN THAT PEAK.

MONTHS LATER, GENERAL PHILLIPS REVEALED TO HIM WHAT ALL OF HIS TRAINING WAS GROOMING HIM FOR. STEVE ROGERS WAS TO BE NOT ONLY AMERICA'S SUPER-SOLDIER BUT ALSO A COSTUMED SYMBOL OF THE IDEALS OF AMERICA ITSELF.

STEVE ROGERS WAS TO BE... CAPTAIN AMERICA! AND HIS MISSION WAS TO STOP HIS NAZI COUNTERPART, THE HEINOUS RED SKULL!

FOR FOUR YEARS, HE FOUGHT THE SKULL AND HIS NAZI COHORTS, SCORING AN IMPRESSIVE RUN OF VICTORIES. FINALLY, ON A FATEFUL DAY IN 1945--
--WHILE TRYING TO STOP A DRONE PLANE FROM BOMBING LONDON--


--CAPTAIN AMERICA FELL INTO THE NORTHERN ATLANTIC OCEAN, HIS LUNGS FILLING WITH FREEZING WATER...
...WHICH REACTED WITH THE SUPER-SOLDIER SERUM IN HIS CELLULAR STRUCTURE TO PLUNGE HIM INTO A STATE OF SUSPENDED ANIMATION.

SEVERAL DECADES PASSED. A NEW GENERATION OF HEROES AROSE, AND THE FOREMOST GROUP OF WHICH, THE MIGHTY AVENGERS, FISHED HIM OUT OF THE SEA.

ALTHOUGH INITIALLY DISORIENTED BY THE PASSAGE OF TIME, THE STAR-SPANGLED CHAMPION REDEDICATED HIMSELF TO THE MISSION HE HAD LOVED. NOW AS BOTH LONE CRUSADER AND LEADER OF THE AVENGERS, HE FIGHTS AN ONGOING BATTLE FOR LIBERTY, JUSTICE, AND THE AMERICAN DREAM!

THE ORIGIN OF THE Fantastic Four

IT WAS THE DAWN OF THE MODERN AGE OF HEROES... WHEN BRILLIANT SCIENTIST REED RICHARDS, HIS BEST FRIEND BEN GRIMM, REED'S CHILDHOOD SWEETHEART SUSAN STORM, AND HER ADOLESCENT BROTHER JOHNNY STORM GATHERED TOGETHER TO DISCUSS AN EVENT THAT, UNKNOWN TO THEM ALL, WOULD RESULT IN THE *BIRTH* OF THE MOST CELEBRATED TEAM OF *ADVENTURERS* THE WORLD HAS EVER KNOWN.

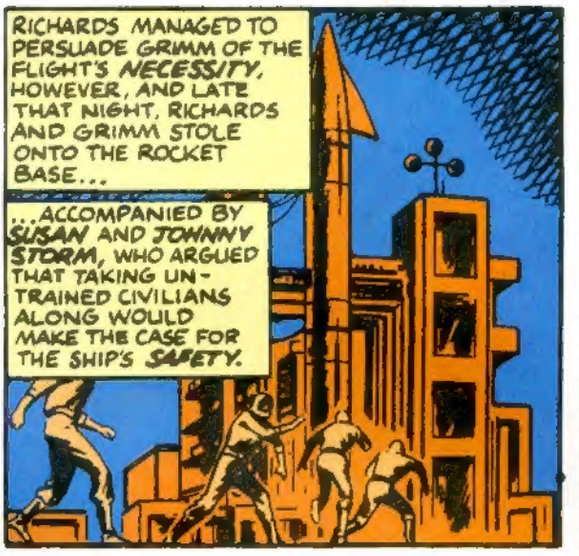
THE EVENT: THE *TEST LAUNCH* OF THE *STARSHIP* REED RICHARDS HAD DESIGNED AND PARTIALLY FINANCED.

THE IMPETUS: DEMONSTRATING TO NASA THAT THE STARDRIVE WAS *SAFE* BEFORE FEDERAL APPROPRIATIONS WERE TAKEN AWAY.

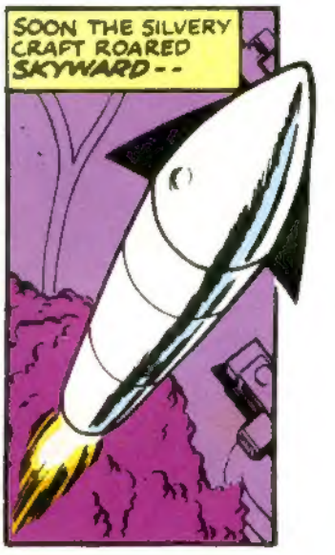
THE OBSTACLE: TEST PILOT BEN GRIMM BALKED AT TAKING SUCH A *RISKY FLIGHT* WITH SO LITTLE TIME TO PREPARE.

RICHARDS MANAGED TO PERSUADE GRIMM OF THE FLIGHT'S *NECESSITY*, HOWEVER, AND LATE THAT NIGHT, RICHARDS AND GRIMM STOLE ONTO THE ROCKET BASE...

...ACCOMPANIED BY *SUSAN* AND *JOHNNY STORM*, WHO ARGUED THAT TAKING UNTRAINED CIVILIANS ALONG WOULD MAKE THE CASE FOR THE SHIP'S *SAFETY*.



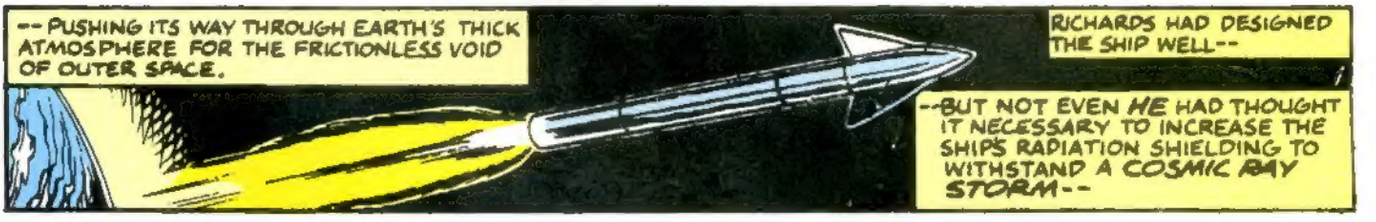
SOON THE SILVERY CRAFT ROARED *SKYWARD*--



--PUSHING ITS WAY THROUGH EARTH'S THICK ATMOSPHERE FOR THE FRICTIONLESS VOID OF OUTER SPACE.

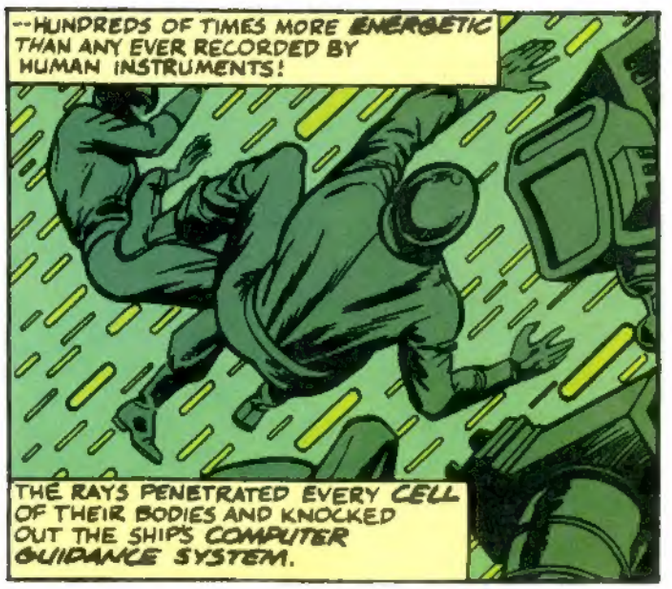
RICHARDS HAD DESIGNED THE SHIP WELL--

--BUT NOT EVEN *HE* HAD THOUGHT IT NECESSARY TO INCREASE THE SHIP'S RADIATION SHIELDING TO WITHSTAND A *COSMIC RAY STORM*--



--HUNDREDS OF TIMES MORE *ENERGETIC* THAN ANY EVER RECORDED BY HUMAN INSTRUMENTS!

THE RAYS PENETRATED EVERY *CELL* OF THEIR BODIES AND KNOCKED OUT THE SHIPS *COMPUTER GUIDANCE SYSTEM*.



FORCED TO ABORT THE FLIGHT, IT TOOK ALL OF BEN GRIMM'S PHENOMENAL *SKILL* TO RETURN THE SHIP TO EARTH IN *ONE PIECE*!

THEY EMERGED FROM THE WRECKAGE BATTERED, BRUISED, AND QUEASY -- LIKE THEIR METABOLISMS WERE IN TOTAL UPHEAVAL.
THEY WERE! FOR THE COSMIC RAYS HAD ACTIVATED LATENT GENES IN THEM--GENES THAT WREAKED BODYWIDE CHANGES WITHIN MINUTES!
SUSAN STORM DISCOVERED THAT SHE HAD BECOME INVISIBLE!
BEN GRIMM'S SKIN TRANSFORMED INTO A THICK ROCKY HIDE WHILE HIS MUSCLES BECAME STRONG AS STEEL!
REED RICHARDS' BODY BECAME PLIANT, ELASTIC AS DUCTILE AS HIS BRILLIANT BRAIN!
WHILE JOHNNY'S BODY BECAME LIVING FLAME!
BEFORE THE SHOCK OF THE METAMORPHOSES HAD EVEN WORN OFF, RICHARDS PROPOSED THAT THEY USE THEIR AMAZING ABILITIES JUST AS HE HAD ALWAYS USED HIS GENIUS--
--FOR THE GOOD OF MANKIND. EVEN BEN GRIMM GRUDGINGLY AGREED.
THUS THAT FATEFUL NIGHT, DUE TO A STILL UNEXPLAINED COSMIC STORM, THE FANTASTIC FOUR WERE BORN!
THE HUMAN TORCH
THE THING!
MR. FANTASTIC!
INVISIBLE GIRL!
A NEW BREED OF HERO... SETTING THE STANDARD BY WHICH ALL FUTURE HEROES WOULD BE MEASURED!